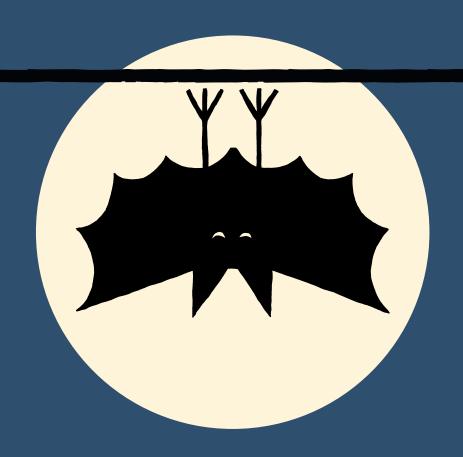
## HALLOWEEN IN THE CITY 21-31 OCT



**BE PART OF IT** 





MARK THE PASSING OF HALLOWEEN WITH TEN DAYS OF TERRIFYINGLY GOOD EVENTS ACROSS MANCHESTER. FEATURING: TRICKS AND TREATS, GIANT MONSTERS AND A HAUNTED MAZE, MASS DRESS UP, CANINE COSTUMES AND A GOTH CATWALK SHOW - PLUS EVENTS AND OFFERS FROM THE BIGGEST, BADDEST NAMES IN SHOPPING, FOOD AND DRINK.

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- Enormous growth market: 3rd biggest retail event after Christmas and Easter
- £450 million spent at Halloween in the UK in 2015
- Biggest party night after New Year's Eve

FOOTFALL +20% AT HALLOWEEN IN THE CITY 2016

## HALLOWEEN IN THE CITY



- Inaugural city-wide festival and campaign launched by <u>Manchester's Business Improvement District (Manchester BID)</u>
   in 2016
- With BID weekend street entertainment, dressing and themed activities
- City-wide round-up of themed Manchester events through PR
- Supported by Visit Manchester, Manchester City Council, Metrolink, Capital FM, retailers, attractions, bars, restaurants and clubs
- Led to double digit footfall growth: +12% year on year, +20% on Market Street
- And double digit sales growth, +15% reported
- 79 press articles across national, regional, local secured = £737,000 AVE
- £160,000 value marketing campaign









#### 21 - 31 October: Halloween in the City

• Shops, venues, attractions and bars celebrate Halloween

#### 16 - 31 October

• Pumpkin lanterns dress the streets

#### 26 - 31 October

• Iconic Manchester buildings glow green: Harvey Nichols, House of Fraser, Selfridges, Manchester Arndale, National Football Museum, Corn Exchange, Manchester Central and more

#### 28 - 29 October: Halloweekend

- Exchange Square Capital FM Main Stage: DJs, family films, MMU Goth Catwalk, Costume Canine Catwalk, games and prizes
- The Big Dress Up: Manchester shoppers gather in their spookiest attire

## HALLOWEEKEND CONTINUED...



- Trick or Treat: knock on the giant doors for a scare or sweet surprise
- St Ann's Square Haunted Maze: follow the creepy characters into the heart of the hedge maze
- Monster Attacks! Inflatable installations by artist Filthy Luker.
   Watch out for the tentacles...
- The Travelling Carnival: follow the procession of skeletons and creatures of the night
- Market Street Face Painting pop-ups
- Big Fish Little Fish: a daytime rave for all the family
- Dress to Impress: Manchester retailers get in the spirit with themed windows, fancy dress and special events

























- Targeting ABC1 shoppers, residents and workers, with a focus on families
- Halloween in the City brand artwork by Manchester agency Modern Designers
- visitmanchester.com/halloween listings portal
- Visit Manchester supported social and digital promotion /visitmanchester @visit MCR
- Social media campaign @/halloweenMCR #halloweenMCR run by Manchester's Mustard Media, the digital agency behind The Warehouse Project, Parklife and Bluedot festival
- Digital and paid-for social advertising
- Outdoor advertising campaign including city digital screens, large format posters and banners

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- Press advertising in local and regional publications including Manchester Evening News, Manchester Weekly News, Guardian Guide, Yorkshire Post, Liverpool Echo, Primary Times
- Capital FM on air and online advertising
- Transport advertising including media partnership with TfGM (Metrolink)
- Press campaign managed by Manchester BID's PR agency Echo

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### Halloween in the City

Plenty of Tricks. Plenty More Treats.

Mark the passing of Halloween with ten days of terrifyingly good events across Manchester. Featuring: tricks and treats, creepy creatures and a Haunted Maze, mass dress ups, canine costumes and a Goth Catwalk Show - plus events and offers from the biggest, baddest names in shopping, food and drink.























# MAKE THE MOST OF THIS MANCHESTER EVENT OPPORTUNITY

GET IN THE SPOOKY
SPIRIT
GO GREEN
DRESS TO IMPRESS
TELL YOUR CUSTOMERS

**BE PART OF IT** 





- Go green for Halloween: light your building
- Decorate and join in The Big Dress Up
- Create a Halloween menu, cocktail or themed treats
- Host a special themed event
- Use the Halloween in the City branding and signage
- Promote menus and activities online and via Twitter, Facebook, Instagram, e-shots to customers, POS
- Tag in visitmanchester.com/halloween
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- Feature activity in a foodie round-up on the event portal visitmanchester.com/Halloween
- Feature activity in the What's On press release sent out to local and national press
- Guarantee 1 x Tweet and 1 x Facebook post
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- Supply an A3 poster, POS strut and 'We're part of it' window vinyl
- Supply a marketing and social media toolkit complete with promotional assets to help you to spread the word including a 'We're part of it' digital badge
- Share success with the Manchester Evening News
- Share event photos, videography, marketing and PR reporting at manchesterbid.com

LET US KNOW HOW YOU'LL BE GETTING INTO THE HALLOWEEN SPIRIT...

DEADLINE FOR INCLUSION IN THE MARKETING AND PR CAMPAIGN: FRIDAY 29TH SEPTEMBER

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